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Title: **RIVING KNIFE ASSEMBLY**

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.10

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1. Type of Application

This is a Non-provisional Application.

2. **Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s)** (35 U.S.C. § 119(e))

<u>USSN</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>Status</u>
60/455,074	03/14/2003	DeKeyser, et al.	Pending

3. **Papers Enclosed That Are Required for Filing Date under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. §1.153 (Design) Application**

Twenty-seven (27) Pages of Specification;
Eight (8) Pages of Claims;
One (1) Page of Abstract; and
Seven (7) Sheets of Drawing Figures.

4. **Additional Papers Enclosed**

Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) is attached.

5. **Declaration or Oath**

Unsigned Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.

6. **Inventorship Statement**

The inventorship for all the claims in this application are the same.

7. **Language**

English.

8. **Assignment**

None.

9. **Certified Copy**

None are required.

10. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. §1.16)

BASIC FEE

Standard Fee	\$770.00	\$770.00
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EXCESS CLAIM FEE

TOTAL OVER TWENTY	24	-20	0	4	\$18.00	\$72.00
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11. Small Entity Status-Applicant **does not** request small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

12. Request for International - Type Search (37 C.F.R. §1.104(d))

None required.

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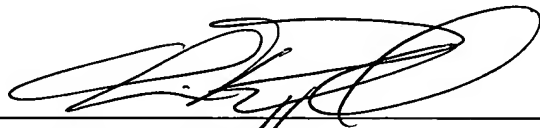
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UNDER 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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